UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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DONALD DELONEY,

Case No. 3:24-CV-00577-ART-CLB

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Plaintiff

ORDER TO PAY FILING FEE OR FILE APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

V.

GIANNA VERNESS, et al.,

Defendants.

I. DISCUSSION

On December 16, 2024, Plaintiff Donald Deloney ("Deloney"), a pretrial detainee in the custody of the Washoe County Detention Center, submitted a civil rights complaint with the Court. (ECF No. 1-1.) However, Deloney has neither paid the full \$405 filing fee for this matter, nor filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to begin a civil action in this Court may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in order to file the civil action without prepaying the full \$405 filing fee. To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit all three of the following documents to the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u>, this Court's approved form (i.e., pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e., page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the <u>inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period</u>.

The Court will grant Deloney a <u>one-time</u> opportunity to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* containing <u>all three</u> of the required documents, or in the alternative, pay the full \$405 filing fee for this action on or before **Friday**, **January**

17, 2025. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will <u>not</u> grant any further extensions of time.

If Deloney is unable to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three required documents or pay the full \$405 filing fee on or before **Friday**, **January 17**, **2025**, this case will be subject to dismissal <u>without prejudice</u> for Deloney to file a new case with the Court when Deloney is either able to acquire all three of the documents needed to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the full \$405 filing fee.

A dismissal <u>without prejudice</u> means Deloney does not give up the right to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Deloney has all three documents needed to submit with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Alternatively, Deloney may choose not to file an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and instead pay the full filing fee of \$405 on or before **Friday**, **January 17**, **2025**, to proceed with this case.

II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, **IT IS ORDERED** that the Clerk of the Court will **SEND** Deloney the approved form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate, as well as the document entitled information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before Friday, January 17, 2025, Deloney will either pay the full \$405 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$55 administrative fee) or file with the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u> on this Court's approved form (i.e., pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e., page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the

previous six-month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Deloney does not file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pay the full \$405 filing fee for a civil action on or before **Friday**, **January 17**, **2025**, this case will be subject to dismissal <u>without prejudice</u> for Deloney to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Deloney has all three documents needed to file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the full \$405 filing fee.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: December 16, 2024.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE